

the parties to this dispute or this lawsuit ever mentioned this. This was not part that was briefed. This is a ruling that the director of insurance came up with on his own. Most of the sides...

PRESIDENT MOUL: Time.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: And I will finish this discussion later, and I'll put my light on. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. Mr. Clerk, is there an amendment on the desk?

ASSISTANT CLERK: Yes, there is, Madam President. Senator Landis would move to amend the committee amendments. That amendment is found on page 1931.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Landis. Is Senator Landis here? While we're waiting for Senator Landis, I'd like to direct your attention to the south balcony. Special guests of Senator Cudaback today are 30 fourth graders from Wood River Elementary in Wood River, Nebraska, with their teachers. Would you rise and be recognized and welcomed to the Chambers today. Thank you. Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you. Madam President, members of the Legislature, because we have some plans that are out there operating, and yet probably in violation of a Nebraska statute, we have to be careful in the way....Pardon me. Senator Hall probably was right in raising the question, they are in conflict with Nebraska law. I don't mean to be probabilistic, they are in conflict with Nebraska law. We have to be careful as to how we implement this piece. First, we've added the emergency clause, and that adds immediate impact then to the passage of 167. We additionally say that for those political subdivisions using self-funding, they will, prior to the effective date of this act, comply with the benefits act, no later than December 31, 1991. And what is meant to be then is that everyone will be put on notice, immediately, that they've got to comply, and then if you are now operating one of these plans you've got to make the transfer into using the 167 method by December 31, 1991. And, in the event you are not a user of an existing self-funding plan, you would have the availability to use, under the ages of 167, the terms of this bill upon passage of the act. I would urge the adoption of this, so we can